

## VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System - PGY2 Infectious Diseases Pharmacy Residency

The VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System is a teaching healthcare system with 18 locations in Northeast Ohio that serves more than 110,900 Veterans across 21 counties. It is a training environment for more than 3,000 students across various disciplines in affiliation with more than 200 academic institutions. The main medical center, the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center, is one of the largest VA facilities in the country and serves as the primary residency site. It is located about six miles east of downtown Cleveland at Wade Park in University Circle.



**PGY2 Program Purpose:** PGY2 residency programs build upon Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) education and PGY1 pharmacy residency training to develop pharmacist practitioners with knowledge, skills, and abilities as defined in the educational competency areas, goals, and objectives for advanced practice areas. Residents who successfully complete PGY2 residency programs are prepared for advanced patient care or other specialized positions, and board certification in the advanced practice area, if available.

The residency program offers unique experiences to develop the knowledge and clinical skills to practice in infectious diseases, antimicrobial stewardship, HIV, and HCV. The resident will function as a member of the multidisciplinary infectious diseases team within the inpatient and outpatient setting. Our goal is to promote individual growth, professional development, self-reliance, and responsibility by developing an autonomous clinical practitioner. The program will prepare the resident to serve as a clinical pharmacy specialist in a variety of specialty infectious disease settings including academia.

### **REQUIRED EXPERIENCES:**

Orientation (1 month)  
General Infectious Diseases (3 months at VA; 1 month at MetroHealth)  
Antimicrobial Stewardship (2 months)  
Clinical Microbiology Laboratory (1 month)  
Critical Care/Burn Unit (at MetroHealth) (1 month)  
HIV Clinic +/- Hepatitis clinic (3 months longitudinal)

### **ELECTIVE EXPERIENCES (select 3 – one month each):**

Additional month of General Infectious Diseases (at VA) or Antimicrobial Stewardship  
Hematology/Oncology  
Internal Medicine (1 month)  
Long Term Care/Geriatrics Infectious Diseases  
Pediatric Infectious Diseases (at University Hospitals)



**ADDITIONAL REQUIRED ACTIVITIES (one each unless otherwise specified):**

Research or Quality Improvement Project with Lean Six Sigma Certification  
Case Presentation (1) and Journal Club Presentations (2)  
Seminar, Advanced Practice Nursing Lecture, ID UH Fellow Lecture, CCF ID Monthly Presentation  
Attendance at OCCP, ID Week, and MAD-ID Conferences  
Resident Preceptorship  
Committee Involvement  
Chief Resident  
Staffing Requirement (every 3<sup>rd</sup>– 4<sup>th</sup> weekend)  
VANEOLS or NEOMED Teaching Certificate Program (optional)

**NATIONAL MATCHING SERVICE CODE: 692655 (VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System)**

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCEPTANCE:**

U.S. citizenship required for VA employment. Application should include curriculum vitae, letter of intent, and transcript confirming completion of Doctorate of Pharmacy coursework and degree. Letter of intent should focus on why candidate is specifically interested in the VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System PGY2 Infectious Diseases residency program. Three references are requested, with one being from the PGY1 Residency Program Director and at least one from a clinical rotation preceptors. References should use the PhORCAS reference format (separate narrative letter not required) and should specifically comment on how the resident compares to other residents.

**2023 RECRUITMENT INFORMATION:**

- We will be participating in the Ohio Society of Health-System Pharmacy (OSHP) Residency Showcase on October 28<sup>th</sup>; more information and registration is available here: <https://www.ohioshp.org>, under the Events/Meetings tab.
- We will additionally be participating in the VA Residency Virtual Showcase on October 19<sup>th</sup> from 6-8PM EST via [Microsoft Teams](#); more information about this showcase will be posted here: <https://www.pbm.va.gov/education/vapharmacyresidencyprogram.asp>.
- We will be participating in the SNPhA/ACCP Virtual Residency Showcase on October 24<sup>th</sup> from 6-9pm EST via [Microsoft Teams](#); more information about this showcase will be posted here: [American College of Clinical Pharmacy® | ACCP](#)

Candidates may also schedule one-on-one times to meet with the RPD via Microsoft Teams by emailing the RPD. All interviews will be conducted virtually this year. We are planning an *optional* onsite open house specifically for candidates invited to interview that would occur after the virtual interview and will not be taken into consideration for the site's ranking.

**RESIDENCY PROGRAM DIRECTOR:**

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